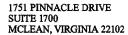


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TO: BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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| 2. |             | Small Entity Status Claimed:  Independent Inventor Small Business Concern Non-Profit Organization |
|    |             | Statement Enclosed  |
|    |             | Statement Filed in Prior Application; Status Still Proper and Desired                             |
| 3. | $\boxtimes$ | Specification - Total Pages: 41 (Including Abstract)  |

| CLAIMS AS FILED         |              |              |           |              |              |            |  |
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|                         | Claims       | Basic Fee    |           | Ra           |              |            |  |
|                         | Filed        | Claims       | Extra     | Large Entity | Small Entity | Amount     |  |
| Total Claims            | 81           | 20           | 61        | \$ 18.00     | \$ 9.00      | \$1,098.00 |  |
| Independent Claims      | 8            | 8 3 5        |           | \$ 84.00     | \$ 42.00     | \$420.00   |  |
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|     | b.          | Copy from a prior application (for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)                      |
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| 7.  |             | CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)                     |
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| 12. |             | Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 and References  |
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